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COMPRISING THE USE OF A SPECIFIC  
MARKER FOR SYNOVIAL TISSUE  
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the official action mailed March 18, 2004, applicant submits the following amendments and remarks.

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